--- RS-1 - Division Open – Black - CADDY - 3rd BABN Contract (1878-1886) ---

--- recess printed on *block watermarked* thick wove - perforated 12 ---

--- 60 x 112 mm. - "VICT. XXXI - CAP. VIII" - 5 mm. blue controls - scanned at 75% scale ---

--- with "*S. M. Return No.*" ..... on the 4th line ---

--- RM-65a overprinted FIVE LBS. SNUFF / NOT MORE THAN / *40%* / MOISTURE ---

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On July 1st 1883 all BOXES and CADDY stamps were declared to be obsolete. The taxation of snuff began with the Budget of 1883. The catalogue lists this SNUFF overprint on *obsolete copies* of the black "Division Open" Caddy stamp as **RS-1**. Previously snuff had been taxed as "Manufactured Tobacco".

Manufactured tobacco -	1867 -	10¢ per pound
	1870 -	15¢ per pound
	1874 -	20¢ per pound
Snuff - in 1883 - Over 40% moisture -		8¢ per pound
Not more than 40% moisture -		12¢ per pound

The catalogue lists this provisional five pound, black, "Not More than 40% Moisture" snuff strip as follows:

RS-1 - overprinted **FIVE LBS. SNUFF** / NOT MORE THAN / *40%* / MOISTURE on the 1868 Division Open CADDY, black, perf 12, with 5 mm. blue controls, recess printed on *block watermarked* thick wove

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★**RS-1** - overprinted **FIVE LBS. SNUFF** / NOT MORE THAN / *40%* / MOISTURE on **RM-65a** black CADDY, perf 12, Division Open, with 5 mm. blue control number **88842**, recess printed on *block watermarked* thick wove

★**RS-1 CP** - overprinted **FIVE LBS. SNUFF** / NOT MORE THAN / *40%* / MOISTURE on **RM-65a** black CADDY, perf 12, Division Open, with 5 mm. blue control number **88491**, recess printed on *block watermarked* thick wove - stamped **CANCELLED** - suspect

88465	**RS-1 CP**	RM-65A overprinted **FIVE LBS. SNUFF** / NOT MORE THAN / *40%* / MOISTURE stamped **CANCELLED** in 3 mm. Gothic letters - suspect
88471	**RS-1**	RM-65A overprinted **FIVE LBS. SNUFF** / NOT MORE THAN / *40%* / MOISTURE

88491★	**RS-1 CP**	RM-65A overprinted **FIVE** LBS. **SNUFF** / NOT MORE THAN / *40%* / MOISTURE stamped **CANCELLED** in 3 mm. Gothic letters
88507	**RS-1**	RM-65A overprinted **FIVE** LBS. **SNUFF** / NOT MORE THAN / *40%* / MOISTURE
88510	**RS-1**	RM-65A overprinted **FIVE** LBS. **SNUFF** / NOT MORE THAN / *40%* / MOISTURE
88534	**RS-1**	RM-65A overprinted **FIVE** LBS. **SNUFF** / NOT MORE THAN / *40%* / MOISTURE
88537	**RS-1**	RM-65A overprinted **FIVE** LBS. **SNUFF** / NOT MORE THAN / *40%* / MOISTURE
88542★	**RS-1**	RM-65A overprinted **FIVE** LBS. **SNUFF** / NOT MORE THAN / *40%* / MOISTURE
88546	**RS-1**	RM-65A overprinted **FIVE** LBS. **SNUFF** / NOT MORE THAN / *40%* / MOISTURE

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